[President.]

Now, I wish to remove a slight misapprehension likely to arise from certain remarks that Mr. A. K. Pillai let drop. I infer—it may be that that inference is not correct—that the consideration of the merits of the question might have, in a way, been affected by my statement that the proposal emanated from me. The fact that this proposal emanated from me had nothing to do with the question at all. I stated that the idea emanated from me, for one reason only, *viz.*, to remove any possible doubt or feeling that it emanated from Mr. K. S. Narayana Aiyar, the philanthropist I am referring to. No such request emanated from him. His only request to me, so far as I am aware, was to help him in carrying out his humanitarian work, more particularly in respect of the cessation of the sacrifice of animal life in the country. I trust I have removed any suspicion that may otherwise be felt about Mr. Narayana Aiyar. Whether this House sanctions this grant or not that is a matter wholly left in your hands. It is a matter for the conscience of the House. With these observations, I close the speech and put the motion to the vote.

The motion was put to the vote and carried by a large majority. The grant was made.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : May I point out to you, Sir, the difficulty in which we are placed? Individual Members about whom remarks are made by the President in his speech are not in a position to reply.

PRESIDENT : I hope I did not make any remark that was offensive to any body.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : I did not say that there is any thing offensive in the President's remarks. I only wanted to point out the confusion in the minds of individual Members caused by the fact that we could not possibly reply to the remarks of the President about us.

PRESIDENT : Is that not an inevitable result of the summing up of the debate, Mr. A. K. Pillai?

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*) : It is not exactly summing up, Sir.

PRESIDENT : It is summing up *plus* advocacy, sometimes inevitable on account of the dual roll of Dewan-President.

DEMAND XI—POLICE.

MR. W. H. PITT (*Commissioner of Police*) : Sir, I move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 125 under Demand XI—Police, to meet the expenditure in connection with the continued employment of a temporary additional clerk in the Motor Section of the Office of the Commissioner of Police till the end of the current year. As the Council is probably aware there was a motor boom in 1100 when 201 new vehicles had to be registered as against 88 in 1099; that is to say the new registrations were two and a half times those of the previous year. Since my

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office has to deal with the administration of the Motor Vehicle Regulation, the work in that section of my office has proportionately increased in volume and the appointment of a temporary additional clerk was sanctioned. This temporary additional clerk has been continued up to the end of Makaram this year, as can be seen from the Budget Estimate. When the estimate was prepared, Government thought that there might not be such heavy work after Makaram. But, as a matter of fact, it is now found that it has again doubled itself. 118 vehicles were registered in the first six months of this year against 201 in 1100 and 88 in 1099. The existing staff is, of course, quite unable to cope with such an increase. The staff has been working practically on every holiday during the whole of the last year. Even then, it was not able to keep the work current.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I have sent in a motion to omit the whole allotment, *i. e.*, Rs. 125 for the continuance of temporary additional clerk. I was feeling sorry that there was not a stronger way of expressing our dissatisfaction against the work of any particular section of any department. I wish there were some more effective way of showing that the work of the Motor Section of the Police Commissioner's Department is not doing satisfactory work. This section was conspicuous by its inanimation. I was wondering whether there was any department under the Government to regulate, to look after, the motor vehicle traffic and speed, in the State. We have abundance of motor service which have become abundance of nuisance.

MR. W. H. PITT (*Commissioner of Police*): Will Mr. A. K. Pillai be kind enough to tell me how a clerical section can be held responsible for the regulation of traffic?

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I am not able to follow him.

PRESIDENT: The Police Commissioner points out that you are talking of something which has no bearing upon the grant he has applied for. You are dealing with motor traffic and its inconveniences, and dangers caused to the public, while the Police Commissioner is asking for an additional amount incurred on behalf of his staff.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): What I say is quite reasonable. It is relative to the position of work. Work is not being carried on satisfactorily. When such is the case, we cannot be called upon to vote for a demand which is not justified.

MR. W. H. PITT (*Commissioner of Police*): May I point out that the Member is not talking to the motion?

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I want to show how displeased this House is in regard to the work that is now being done by the Motor Section of the Police Commissioner's Department.

PRESIDENT: How is this relevant to what a few clerks do in the office?

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): This is the only opportunity of expressing our dissatisfaction.

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PRESIDENT: May I point out that such a procedure is not admissible in the case of supplementary grants? There is the President's ruling on the point.

MR. A. K. PILLAI (*Karunagapalli*): I believe it is only a technical objection and I should be sorry if I am barred from expressing the dissatisfaction of the House in regard to this important matter. I believe it may be possible to bring in a token motion. Whatever may be the objections raised by the other side, I hope the Police Commissioner will bear in mind that the motor services are allowed to run amuck in the State causing danger to life and people.

MR. W. H. PITT (*Commissioner of Police*): I did not quite hear Mr. A. K. Pillai's conclusion.

PRESIDENT: What he said before he sat down was that he quite recognises that there is a ruling on account of which his speech is technically barred and to that he submits without question and, remarking finally, he said that it was possible for him to have brought a token motion on the policy of insufficient control of motor traffic in Travancore.

May I take it that the House sanctions the demand?

The grant was made.

DEMAND XII—EDUCATION.

MR. R. KRISHNASWAMI AIYAR (*Ag. Director of Public Instruction*): Sir, I rise to move for a grant not exceeding Rs. 48,042 under demand XII—Education. The amount is made up of the following items:—

Rs. 8 being the pay for one month of a female attender proposed to be appointed in the College of Science from Mithunom 1101. In regard to this, I might say that the strength of women students in the College of Science has increased since the bifurcation of the College. Last year, it was 29. To provide for the convenience of these students, a separate room is set apart for them. When they go to their classes, they leave their books, etc., in that room and, when I was Principal of the College, I used to receive complaints from them of the loss of some of those articles and it was not always possible to discover how the loss took place or to recover the lost articles, in the absence of someone who could be made responsible for looking after them. Hence I felt the need for the appointment of a female attender. A female attender was sanctioned for the College of Arts soon after the bifurcation, and it is now proposed to appoint a female attender from Mithunam 1101 for the Science College. Thus the sum of Rs. 8 asked for is to pay her one month's salary in the current year.

MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI (*Trivandrum cum Neduvangad*): What is the pay of the male attender please?

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